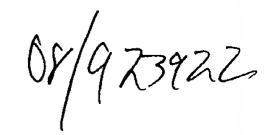
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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is disclosed a coated cutting insert particularly useful for cutting in cast iron materials. The insert is characterized by a straight WC-Co cemented carbide body having a highly W-alloyed Co binder phase, a well-defined surface content of Co and a coating including an innermost layer of $TiC_xN_yO_z$ with columnar grains, a layer of a fine-grained, textured Al_2O_3 layer and a top layer of $TiC_xN_yO_z$ that has been removed along the cutting edge line.